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Response to the Office action of April 4, 2006

Remarks

In the Office action, claims 1 and 3-6 were rejected as anticipated by Lemmons et al. (US 5,880,768), claims 1-2 were rejected as anticipated by Ellis et al. (US Pub. No. 2003/0149988), and claim 7 was rejected as unpatentable over Lemmons in view of Lortz et al. (US 6,675,385). New claims 50-61 have been added. In light of the forgoing amendments and the following remarks, all rejections are respectfully traversed and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

As an initial matter, the applicant respectfully submits that no new matter has been added by the claim amendments and/or new claims. In particular, paragraphs [0045]-[0046] of the original specification describe storing encrypted content, providing for authorization of the encrypted content, and providing a further encryption of the encrypted content.

Claim 1 recites, *inter alia*, a method of providing content, the method comprising storing encrypted content locally, receiving a request to display the encrypted content, decrypting the encrypted content when the content is authorized for display in response to the request to display the encrypted content, and presenting the decrypted content.

None of the cited references describes or suggests storing encrypted content for later decryption. Further, none of the cited references even include decryption capability. For example, Lemmons describes a set-top-box 70 that includes tuning circuitry 72, a control unit 74, digital video circuitry 86, and genlock circuitry 82 between a media content source and a recording device (VCR 88). While the applicant does not admit or suggest that the VCR 88 and the set-top-box 70 are capable of performing the recording functions recited in claim 1, there is no description of or suggestion for including a component capable of storing encrypted media content and decrypting that encrypted media content when requested. Accordingly, for the at least the forgoing reasons, claim 1 and all claims depending therefrom are in condition for allowance.

Independent claim 54 recites, *inter alia*, a television receiver comprising a user interface to select at least one parameter from the parameter menu in order to effect a recording operation for the encrypted content and to receive a request to display the encrypted content, a storage device to store the encrypted content locally, a decrypter to decrypt the encrypted content when the content is authorized for display in response to a request to display the encrypted content, and a decoder to present the decrypted content. For at least the forgoing reasons, claim 54 and all claims depending therefrom are in condition for allowance.

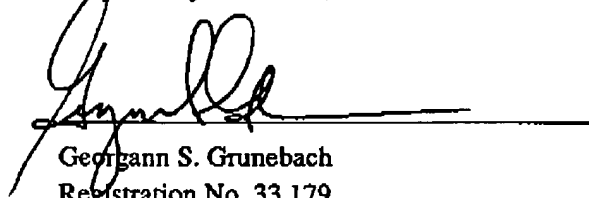
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Independent claim 58 recites, *inter alia*, a system for providing content, the system comprising a television receiver to display a parameter menu of selectable parameters to be used for recording current or future viewed encrypted content, to select at least one parameter from the parameter menu in order to effect a recording operation for the encrypted content and to receive a request to display the encrypted content, to store the encrypted content locally, to decrypt the encrypted content when the content is authorized for display in response to a request to display the encrypted content. For at least the forgoing reasons, claim 58 and all claims depending therefrom are in condition for allowance.

In light of the forgoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-7 and 50-61 are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application and allowance thereof are respectfully requested. If there is any matter that the examiner would like to discuss, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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